- JUDGE SIPPEL: What's the page reference?
- 2 MR. BECKNER: The page reference is page 93, Your
- 3 Honor, of this minuscript.
- 4 JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. I have it.
- 5 BY MR. BECKNER:
- 6 Q Okay. At the beginning of line 16, and this is
- 7 the question: "Now" -- I'm reading here. "Now did there
- 8 come a time in 1995 when you became aware that Liberty was
- 9 operating some microwave paths for which it had not yet
- 10 received an FCC license?" Answer: "That's correct."
- 11 Question: "Approximately when did that come to your
- 12 attention if you remember?" Answer: "I believe it was in
- January of '95 -- in that early January, early 1995. I'm
- 14 not clear when. Sometime -- I'm sorry, somewhere in that
- 15 area."
- Question: "At the time when you were first aware
- 17 that Liberty was operating these unlicensed microwave paths,
- 18 did you know how many such paths there were?" Answer:
- 19 "No." Now, I'm going to interrupt my reading of the
- 20 questions and answers. And I take it from the answer that
- 21 you just gave today to Mr. Spitzer's question, what you're
- 22 telling the Presiding Judge here is that when you gave this
- answer in May, you were thinking of the Time Warner
- $\sim 24$  petitions to deny that were filed in January of 1995. Is
  - 25 that right?

- 1 A That's right. It referred to the fact that
- 2 because we had this franchise issue in New York, we
- 3 shouldn't be able to hold FCC licenses. Therefore, we
- 4 shouldn't be in good standing with the FCC. And I related
- 5 that to the same ball of wax.
- 6 Q Okay.
- 7 A I believe I later clarified it in the deposition.
- 8 Q Now, I'm going to get to that. I'm trying to be
- 9 fair to you. But on the other hand, I want the Judge to
- 10 hear the actual questions and answers --
- 11 A Certainly.
- 12 Q -- that your answer before referred to.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: By the way, I referred to that with
- Mr. Lehmkuhl yesterday as being a local issue. I mean, I'm
- 15 cognizant of the fact that the franchise ties in with the --
- with the Communications Act of '84 and there's a cable
- 17 ruling involved in that. So it's not just a local issue. I
- 18 just want to be sure that it's clear that I understand that.
- 19 MR. BECKNER: Okay. Well, thank you, Your Honor,
- 20 for that clarification.
- BY MR. BECKNER:
- Q And I take it, Mr. Price, that in your mind at
- 23 least, that -- the -- the genesis or the root of all of
- 24 Liberty's problems that bring us here today goes back to
  - 25 those petitions to deny that Time Warner filed in January of

- 1 1995.
- 2 A No, I don't think that's the root of the problem
- 3 we're here for today. I think the root of the problem here
- 4 is today a lack oversight on our part in managing our
- 5 license process.
- 6 Q Okay. But -- all right. I guess I misunderstood
- 7 your answer. I thought you were saying that -- that these
- 8 petitions delayed what had been or what had becoming a
- 9 fairly routine licensing process which then precipitated all
- 10 these other events that you've talked about, the delay in --
- in Liberty getting its licenses.
- 12 A No, I can't attribute that to the evil empire.
- Oh, okay. By the evil empire, are you referring
- 14 to the Soviet Union or Time Warner Cable?
- 15 A The latter.
- 16 Q All right.
- 17 A The latter evil empire.
- 18 Q The former has now collapsed. Hopefully, the
- 19 latter will not.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: You know, I think we better bring
- 21 the focus back to the line of questioning.
- MR. BECKNER: Certainly, Your Honor. I'm going to
- 23 continue reading from this deposition transcript.
- 24 BY MR. BECKNER:
  - 25 Q Let's see. I'm on page 94 here. And I'm the one

- 1 asking the questions in the transcript. And I asked the
- 2 Reporter to read the answer back. The Reporter does that
- 3 and then --
- 4 MR. SPITZER: Your Honor, I hate to object --
- 5 JUDGE SIPPEL: Mr. Spitzer?
- 6 MR. SPITZER: -- and I rarely do. But I would
- 7 note that Mr. Beckner is skipping a passage here, just two
- 8 lines, that I think for the same of completeness would help
- 9 significantly.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: All right. He's going to redirect
- 11 on this --
- MR. BECKNER: Well, Mr. Spitzer, that was
- inadvertent. I'll be glad to solve that problem right here.
- 14 I'm sorry. You'll notice that today I don't have my glasses
- 15 with me.
- BY MR. BECKNER:
- 17 Q Mr. Spitzer has corrected me. And just to be
- 18 fair, Mr. Price, let me restate it. There was -- after you
- 19 gave the answer, no, to the question, did you know how many
- 20 paths there were that were unlicensed, I asked another
- 21 question: "You just knew there were some." And then your
- 22 answer was, "I didn't know there were any until we looked
- 23 into it and found out." Then I asked that the answer be
- 24 read back. It was read back and you added -- again, this is
  - your testimony -- "Just to clarify, it was early '95."

- 1 "When in '95?" "Sometime in the first quarter I believe of
- 2 '95."
- And then another question: "Sometime between
- 4 January and the end of March, would that be fair?" And then
- 5 your answer: "Yes, sometime in the first three or four
- 6 months of '95." My question: "Could it have been as late
- 7 as April?" Answer: "It could have been as late as April."
- 8 Then I'm going to skip the next question and
- 9 answer. Well, no, I'll strike that. I'll go ahead and just
- 10 continue on page 95. Then there's a question: "When you
- 11 first became aware of that situation, what was the first
- information you received? For example, was it that a
- 13 specific path was unlicensed? Was it that some paths might
- 14 be unlicensed? Was -- what's the first thing that you
- learned about this?" The answer: "I believe it was some
- 16 paths might be unlicensed. I don't recall precisely what
- 17 the first communication was, but I believe it was some paths
- 18 might be unlicensed. So we began to check the dates to
- 19 determine what was or wasn't properly licensed."
- Then there's another question: "What was the
- 21 source of the first information you received about the
- 22 possibility that you might have some unlicensed operating
- 23 microwave paths?" Answer: "I believe it was from counsel."
- 24 Question: "Was counsel reporting to you an allegation that
  - 25 had been made in a pleading filed by Time Warner?" Answer:

- 1 "I believe that's where they got their information. I can't
- 2 say, but I believe that's where it is."
- 3 MR. BEGLEITER: "That's what it is."
- 4 MR. BECKNER: I'm sorry.
- 5 BY MR. BECKNER:
- 6 Q "That's what it is." And then there's a question
- 7 after a colloguy with Mr. Spitzer. Question: "When counsel
- 8 reported this allegation to you, was this in a phone
- 9 conversation you had?" Answer: "It might have been a phone
- 10 conversation. It might have been a meeting in the office.
- I don't recall what the forum was." Question: "But in any
- event, it was a conversation as opposed to a memo that you
- received from that I take it." Answer: "That's correct."
- Now, I'm going to stop there because what I
- 15 understood you to say in your testimony today is that this -
- 16 this memo that you received from Behrooz Nourain that's
- 17 dated April 26th and has been marked as Time Warner -- TW/CV
- 18 Exhibit 35 was the first indication that you got that told
- 19 you at least that there was a possibility that you might be
- 20 running unlicensed.
- 21 A That's correct.
- 22 Q Okay. And -- and I don't believe you had a chance
- 23 to explain why your testimony today is is that you first
- 24 learned through a memo whereas your testimony of May 28th of
  - last year was that you first learned in some kind of a

- 1 conversation.
- 2 A To use your words, Mr. Beckner, you just said that
- 3 I learned in that communication that there might be. And I
- 4 testified earlier today that it was apparent to me that we
- 5 had a problem there. It was apparent to me that while that
- 6 memo might not have said that we were providing unauthorized
- 7 service, it raised -- it created certain contradictions in
- 8 that we might well be.
- 9 In the conversation with counsel that followed
- 10 that same day -- I believe that same day, counsel confirmed
- to me that, yes, we believe you have a problem based upon
- what we see here or what you're telling us. So I think it's
- 13 perfectly consistent with my earlier -- my deposition and
- 14 also what I said this morning.
- But please understand, when I was dealing with
- 16 this testimony, frankly, I'm surprised not having seen some
- of the documents I saw this week, that I was pretty much in
- the zone with both the April time frame and the unfolding of
- 19 events there because, as these documents showed me what was
- 20 going on precisely that week, it did pretty much conform to
- 21 my general recollection without seeing the document or
- 22 specifically recalling that telephone conversation.
- 23 Q Okay. Just to be absolutely sure that -- that the
- 24 memo here that has been marked as TW/CV Exhibit 35, that is
  - as far as you can remember the very first indication,

- inkling, tip of the iceberg, anything that suggested to you
- that there might be some kind of problem with Liberty
- 3 operating without licenses.
- A Yes, that was the first time I became aware of it
- or put the pieces together. I mean, documents may have
- 6 passed by me before that, had I taken out operation reports
- 7 and put them together with those documents, I might have
- 8 reached or should have reached that conclusion earlier.
- 9 That could be. But the first time it connected to me where
- 10 specific sites were being mentioned and references were
- being made to licensing or pending licensing, that's when I
- 12 put it together and that was the first time I recognized
- that we might be providing unauthorized service, yes.
- 14 Q Okay. Was there any time before the time that you
- received TW/CV Exhibit 35 where you -- you knew that someone
- 16 was claiming or suggesting or arguing that Liberty was
- operating without required microwave licenses without regard
- 18 to whether or not you knew it was true or not? But were you
- 19 aware of anybody claiming that or suggesting it was even a
- 20 possibility before you received this Exhibit 35?
- 21 A No, I was not.
- Q Okay. So to use a metaphor, this memo and the
- 23 time that you got this memo was the very first time that
- 24 this issue of unlicensed operation by Liberty came on your
  - 25 radar screen.

- 1 A It was the first time that I recognized that there
- was a possibility of unauthorized operation.
- 3 Q Okay.
- 4 A I mean, I say that and I don't mean to belabor
- 5 this point, but you've asked me earlier by taking out
- 6 different documents that if I had put this document that I -
- 7 passed my desk that I didn't recall receiving but I said I
- 8 probably did receive -- if I had put it together with an
- 9 operations report on that day, could I or should I have
- 10 known. I recognize there are those kind of connections that
- 11 --
- 12 Q No, I'm not asking for that.
- 13 A Oh, okay. Apart from that, no. The answer is
- that I did not know of or no one had told me about or
- 15 suggested to me that we were operating unauthorized paths
- 16 before that date.
- 17 Q Okay. That's fine. And that -- let me just move
- on. You have Exhibit 35 in front of you, sir. That's TW/CV
- 19 35. It's in the thick notebook. It's probably all the way
- 20 at the back.
- 21 A Yes, I do.
- 22 Q All right. Now, the document that you have and
- 23 that's been admitted in evidence in the proceeding here is
- 24 one which is typed and then has some handwriting and strike-
- 25 throughs on it. Do you remember whether or not the version

- that you received that you said brought this matter first to
- 2 your attention had these -- these markings on it or
- 3 was it just a clean typed copy?
- 4 A I -- I have no recollection whatsoever.
- Okay. Now, your counsel asked you about the
- 6 second paragraph in the memorandum. And I think you
- 7 testified that when you -- and you also answered some
- 8 questions from the Presiding Judge. You testified that when
- 9 you looked at these addresses, you knew right away that some
- of them were already turned on because you had worked on
- 11 these customers personally.
- 12 A That's correct, sir.
- 13 Q All right. When you read the words here, "current
- 14 customers", that are written here in the second paragraph,
- did you have an understanding that current customers meant
- 16 customers who were currently receiving service as opposed to
- 17 customers who were scheduled to receive service in the near
- 18 future?
- 19 A I understood current customer to mean customers
- 20 who were receiving service.
- 21 Q All right. And so then did you understand that --
- 22 that this list at least was -- I mean, without regard to
- 23 whether or not it was correct or not -- but the list was
- 24 telling you that all of these addresses were in fact
- 25 receiving services, not just the ones that -- that you knew

- from your own independent knowledge were receiving service?
- 2 A Yes, that's correct.
- 3 Q Okay. And in fact, if you had wanted to check the
- 4 list in terms of determining whether or not these addresses
- 5 were receiving service, you could have pulled out the
- 6 operations report that you had just gotten for the -- for
- 7 your weekly meeting that was held the previous day. And
- 8 that would have told you the same thing, would it not?
- 9 A No, that's not correct because our operations
- 10 meeting is held on Thursday afternoon. And I testified to
- the fact that I probably got this sometime during the day on
- 12 Thursday prior to our operations -- prior to our staff
- 13 meeting that afternoon. So the meeting would have been the
- 14 week before. And I don't keep a file of all those reports
- because they're weekly reports from three different
- departments and sometimes some optional reports. And they
- would fill up a large barrel after a few years.
- 18 Q And, okay, so when you got this memorandum, you
- 19 didn't have an operations report handy because the one from
- the previous week you had pitched.
- 21 A That's correct.
- 22 Q And -- but you were going to get another one that
- 23 very day, were you not?
- $\sim$  24 A That's correct.
  - Q And -- and if you had gotten that -- the one for

- the day of that meeting, you could have looked at it and
- seen whether or not these addresses in Exhibit 35 were
- 3 listed as being served in the operations report.
- A That's correct, although, remember, I said I'm not
- 5 sure we had a meeting that day. But if we did, I could have
- 6 pulled out that report and begun to do the reconciliation
- 7 myself.
- 8 Q Okay. And I take it from your answers to these
- 9 questions that the report -- the operations report is not
- something that's given to you before the meeting?
- 11 A No, it is not. Never.
- 12 Q Mr. -- when Mr. Ontiveros comes to the meeting, he
- has it with him and he hands it out to the people at the
- 14 meeting?
- 15 A That's correct.
- 16 Q All right. Now, I think you testified in your --
- in your direct testimony earlier today that your office and
- 18 Edward Milstein's office are, I think you used the term
- 19 adjoining or adjacent to each other. Are they close?
- 20 A They're close. There's his office, a secretarial
- 21 pool and then my office.
- Q Okay. Did -- did you happen to see Mr. Edward
- 23 Milstein, you know, any time before you received this
- ✓ 24 memorandum? I mean, just see him? I mean, not necessarily.
  - to discuss anything, but just physically see him?

- 1 A I don't recall. I don't recall on that particular
- 2 day. Since he has to pass by my office to get to his, I may
- 3 have. But I just don't recall.
- 4 Q In any event, the -- the first paragraph of the
- 5 memo refers to a phone conversation. It say, "In reference
- to our phone conversation." And it is addressed to Edward
- 7 Milstein. Did he ever tell you about a phone conversation
- 8 that he might have had with Behrooz Nourain that relates to
- 9 this memorandum?
- 10 A Not that I recall, no.
- 11 Q Okay. During the time that you were present at
- 12 Liberty Cable, did you have rather regular dealings with
- 13 Edward Milstein in conjunction with your responsibilities
- and his responsibilities for Liberty?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q So you had a pretty good sense of what kind of guy
- he was and how he reacted to things?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q All right. Based on that sense of what kind of
- 20 quy Mr. Edward Milstein was, if he had received a telephone
- 21 call from Behrooz Nourain that gave him any kind of
- 22 information like this that was on this memorandum, do you
- think it likely that he would have come down the hall to you
- → 24 and asked you if you know anything about this?
  - MR. SPITZER: Your Honor, I'm going to object.

- 1 It's speculative and it also presumes --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: That's sustained.
- BY MR. BECKNER:
- 4 Q Was it Mr. Edward Milstein's general practice when
- 5 he learned independent of you about matters that he
- 6 considered urgent in connection with Liberty to come to you
- 7 with those immediately?
- 8 A Yes. But it was also his policy and his to go
- 9 directly -- get involved directly if he feels it's an
- important matter. He's not shy about picking up the phone.
- 11 Q But, I mean, do you remember any instance where
- Mr. Edward Milstein learned about something in conjunction
- with Liberty and came to you and said, Peter, do you know
- anything about this, or words to that effect?
- 15 A Yes, I believe so. But I can't recall a
- particular instance. I'd be surprised if he didn't say that
- 17 on some occasions.
- 18 Q Okay. Now, this memorandum -- did you understand
- 19 this memorandum to say that -- that as of the date of the
- 20 memorandum itself, that at least one response to the
- 21 situation that's described in the memorandum had already
- been implemented; and that is, to file STA requests with the
- 23 FCC? And I'm directing your attention to the second
- $\sim$  24 paragraph here.
  - JUDGE SIPPEL: This is of your Number 35.

1	MR.	BECKNER:	Yes,	sir.

- THE WITNESS: I don't -- I didn't take the second
- 3 paragraph as being filed to mean that they had been filed.
- I take it to mean as I'm reading it and I presume as I took
- 5 it at the time that they either are in the process of being
- filed -- more like that than had been filed. I'm just
- 7 looking at the face of the language.
- BY MR. BECKNER:
- 9 Q But -- but I think my question was intended to ask
- you whether or not, even before this conference call with
- 11 the attorneys that you testified took place after you got
- the memorandum, apparently someone had already given
- direction to them to file these STAs.
- 14 A Well, it was the operating policy of the company
- to file STAs whenever licenses were being delayed. And I
- 16 presume since Time Warner was petitioning to deny our
- 17 licenses and we were having a terrible problem getting
- 18 licenses out of the FCC because of the petitions, that we
- 19 were doing our best to apply for STAs. And that continued
- after this time as well as before this time.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: When did you first formulate that
- 22 conclusion?
- THE WITNESS: That we were applying for STAs?
- $\sim 24$  JUDGE SIPPEL: No. That your STA efforts would be
  - 25 handicapped or slowed down by virtue of the petition.

- THE WITNESS: The -- in conversations with the
- 2 counsel I believe in response to the -- it became very clear
- a couple of weeks later as we got into discussions with
- 4 counsel about the time table and STAs, and how we would go
- forward with our licensing, we got very deeply into the
- 6 subject of -- that subject.
- 7 JUDGE SIPPEL: Listen carefully to my question.
- 8 Based on your best recollection, when is the first time that
- 9 you formulated this idea, this idea, this concept that there
- 10 was a -- that there was an ongoing problem of getting your -
- your STAs approved through the FCC as a result of the Time
- 12 Warner petitions?
- THE WITNESS: I believe it was in the spring of
- 14 '95. At least it reached extreme proportions. To me it
- 15 became noticeable that our forward sites were getting
- 16 delayed because we were sitting waiting for license
- 17 approval.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, you've been -- you were
- 19 talking to -- you've given us quite a list of various FCC
- legal expertise that you've been relying upon since the 18
- 21 gigahertz concept came to your mind.
- THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Was there at any time in the course
- $\sim$  24 of those conversations -- was somebody with FCC experience
  - said, by the way, you're going to have a problem getting

- certain things done at the FCC as long as things -- while
- 2 this petition is going on?
- 3 THE WITNESS: I don't think they said it
- 4 explicitly until May as I recall. But I think we began to
- 5 discuss -- there began to surface the problem of the delays
- 6 we were having. But did they say we weren't going to get
- anything out of the FCC, you know, at all while these
- 8 petitions were pending?
- I don't -- the minute I heard that, I remember
- what I did. And so I remember when I heard that we couldn't
- 11 expect anything to happen, we then went to our legislative
- counsel and said can't we prevail upon members of Congress
- to prevail upon the FCC to give us special temporary
- 14 authority. Otherwise, we can't go forward with the business
- of the company. Then it became vivid. Before that point, I
- 16 don't think I perceived that we couldn't get anything out of
- 17 the FCC.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, that's -- that's not my
- 19 question. Now, you're not listening to my question. I want
- to know at what point in time you had formulated in your
- 21 mind that there was, as I use the term, a hindrance, that
- there was going to be delay, there was going to be something
- 23 different going on with respect to your applications as a
- 24 result of the Time Warner petitions.
  - THE WITNESS: In the spring of '95. That's all I

- 1 can say. The petitions didn't start until --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: You've answered the question.
- 3 You've answered my question. Mr. Beckner?
- 4 BY MR. BECKNER:
- 5 Q Now I'd like you to go ahead, if you would, and
- 6 return to Exhibit 34 which is the April 28 memorandum.
- 7 A Yes, sir. I have it.
- 8 O The memorandum begins, "You have asked me", and
- 9 the author is Mike Lehmkuhl, "to prepare a summary." So you
- 10 recall yourself directly communicating with Mr. Lehmkuhl in
- 11 making such a request?
- 12 A No, I did not.
- 13 Q Okay. So whoever he's referring to, it's not you
- 14 when you say --
- 15 A Well, I presume he's referring to the person to
- whom he addressed the memo.
- 17 Q Which would be Behrooz Nourain.
- 18 A That's correct.
- 19 Q All right. Now, when you -- when you got this
- 20 memo -- and I think you said you did get it on the 28th or
- 21 else the following Monday it may have been.
- 22 A It may have been the following Monday.
- 23 Q And let me just again -- in terms of assisting
- 24 your recollection, and it may assist it, I'd like you just
- to take a look at page 005 of the exhibit which is the

- 1 transmit confirmation report from the fax machine. And that
- 2 has a printed-out time of -- of 5:32 p.m.
- And I'll just state for you that the phone number
- 4 here that is identified -- has been identified as the phone
- 5 number of Mr. Nourain's fax machine. So it would suggest
- 6 that Mr. Nourain at least got it at 5:32 p.m. on the 28th.
- 7 Does that help you remember at all when you got it? You had
- 8 already said you got it late on the 28th or the next Monday.
- 9 A So I presume if that was -- if it was after 5:00
- on Friday -- and checking my book, I notice I was out of
- 11 town that weekend -- I would probably have seen it Monday
- 12 morning, not Friday evening.
- Q Okay. Fine. And you read the memo once you saw
- it on Monday, right?
- 15 A Yes, I did.
- 16 Q All right. Now, the third paragraph talks about
- an inquiry that Mr. Barr and Mr. Lehmkuhl say they made
- 18 regarding getting STA. Do you remember whether or not they
- were directed to make the inquiry that they're reporting on
- 20 here in the phone conversation you had the previous week?
- 21 A No, I don't recall directing them.
- Q Okay. And do you recall knowing in advance that
- 23 they were going to make this inquiry they say they did?
- $\sim$  24 A No, I do not.
  - Q All right. Now, after you received this -- this

- 1 memorandum which --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Which one?
- 3 MR. BECKNER: The -- Exhibit 34, the April 28th
- 4 memorandum. Sorry, Your Honor.
- 5 BY MR. BECKNER:
- 6 Q Did you yourself come to any conclusion about the
- 7 likelihood that STA requests would be granted based on what
- 8 you were told in this memorandum?
- 9 A Well, it says specifically that it's -- that they,
- the FCC, would not be inclined to grant an STA request.
- 11 Q So -- so did you conclude from that -- were you
- 12 un-optimistic that an STA request were granted if they filed
- 13 it?
- 14 A Based upon this opinion, yes.
- Q Okay. But they -- they recommend here in the
- third paragraph of the first page that the request should be
- 17 made -- that is, the STA request should be made owing to the
- 18 seriousness of the situation.
- 19 A Yes. And by the way, the -- again, this was their
- opinion in one memo. There was no consensus about whether
- 21 we would not be given STAs.
- As a matter of fact, there was -- subsequent to
- 23 this, as I said, there was a good deal of discussion about
- $\sim$  24 the log jam of licenses and STAs and the standstill as a
  - 25 result -- what was becoming a standstill on perspective

- applications, and a lot of discussion about what could be
- done, should be done to free up the licenses and wasn't this
- 3 in fact a -- exactly what an STA was for, so that people
- 4 could continue to go about their business pending some
- 5 decision by the FCC as to whether they would let them
- 6 continue or not. So we didn't consider this dispositive.
- 7 Q Well, I mean --
- 8 A I didn't personally.
- 9 Q And in any event, STA requests for all these paths
- 10 were filed -- or almost one or two of them were filed on --
- 11 on May -- May 3rd.
- 12 A I believe that's correct, but I don't know that.
- MR. BECKNER: I'm sorry. May 4th.
- MR. SPITZER: May 4th, Your Honor.
- MR. BECKNER: I beg your pardon.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: That's -- all right. Even I picked
- 17 up on that.
- MR. BECKNER: Thank you, Mr. Spitzer.
- 19 THE WITNESS: I haven't reconciled this list and
- 20 the May 4 list, but I'll -- I presume -- I think that's
- 21 correct. I don't think --
- MR. BECKNER: Yes, no, I'm not --
- JUDGE SIPPEL: These are -- these are listed on
- 24 the Attachment A to the hearing designation order. So
  - 25 there's considerable familiarity with that here.

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- Mr. Price, I was not asking to vouch that --2 0 Yes. In fact, there for each and every one of these addresses. 3 were not requests filed for a few of them. But the majority 4 of them were the subject of STA requests filed on May 4th. 5 6 And that's a matter of record. You say you got this memo on May 1st. Other than from reading the other memorandum that 7 8 I asked you about -- that is, Mr. Nourain's memorandum to Ed Milstein dated April 26th -- did you have any other 9 10 knowledge other than that memorandum that STA requests were going to be filed for these paths? 11 I didn't -- it wasn't specifically in my mind. 12 mean, there may have been discussions about that in the 13 14 company or there may have been dialogue or some exchange on 15 that. But I wasn't aware of it or don't recall it or didn't 16 recognize it if it was going on. And -- and I -- was there any discussion between 17 0 18 May 1st and May 4th that you participated in about whether 19 or not these STA requests that were -- as the memorandum 20 said, were being filed -- or not those requests should 21 reveal in them the fact that some of the paths for which STA
  - A No, I don't -- I don't recall any specific discussion that I was in at that time of that sort, although in reflection I think, you know, it would probably would

was being sought had already been activated?

- 1 have been a pretty good idea. But I don't -- I didn't
- 2 participate directly in a discussion of that particular
- 3 subject. I was aware that a lot of things were being done.
- 4 I was digging into records. Everybody was digging into
- 5 records. I was aware that consideration was being given to
- filing for path -- for STAs to cover situations where we
- 7 were not authorized. But did I directly instruct someone to
- 8 file STAs to do this, no.
- 9 Q And -- and did you review in a draft form any of
- the STA requests that ultimately were filed on May 4th?
- 11 A I don't believe I did see a draft of them, no.
- 12 Q All right.
- 13 A There was a lot flying at that time, a lot of
- 14 paper. But I don't specifically recall reviewing STA
- 15 requests for those paths.
- 16 Q All right. I'd like to ask you to take a look at
- 17 Liberty/Bureau Exhibit 1. That's the thinner notebook of
- 18 exhibits, sir -- Tab 1.
- JUDGE SIPPEL: I'm going to have to -- I've got my
- 20 notes on that one. I'm going to give you the official
- 21 exhibit.
- THE WITNESS: This is Number 1?
- JUDGE SIPPEL: Yes, 1.
- $\sim$  24 MR. SPITZER: If you need another copy, we have
  - one here, Your Honor.

- JUDGE SIPPEL: Well, that's -- we could do it
- 2 maybe at a break or something. I -- we're doing okay up
- 3 here. Go ahead. Thank you.
- 4 BY MR. BECKNER:
- 5 Q Now, Mr. Price, you've already testified about
- 6 this document in your deposition. But for this hearing
- 7 record, I'm going to ask you a few questions about it that
- 8 you've probably already heard before.
- 9 A Please do.
- 10 Q The -- this document -- I believe you testified
- 11 before that you don't have any recollection of receiving it
- 12 around the date of February 24th, 1995, or indeed at all.
- 13 A No, that's not what I said.
- 14 Q I'm sorry.
- 15 A As -- as I recall, what I said was that if it was
- addressed to me at my office, I probably did receive it in
- 17 the ordinary course. But I don't recall reading it or don't
- have a specific recollection of receiving, although I am
- 19 sure I did.
- Q When you -- when you got -- well, it's kind of
- 21 hard to ask these questions because you say -- would you
- 22 have been surprised to have received a document like
- 23 Liberty/Bureau Exhibit 1?
- A I've received dozens of documents from regulatory
  - 25 counsel, both Pepper & Corazzini and Ginsburg, often with

- long attachments. And would I be surprised to receive
- 2 something that referred to a reconciliation or some
- 3 inventory of licenses that was apparently going on between
- 4 COMSEARCH, Behrooz Nourain and regulatory counsel? Not at
- 5 all. That was part of the procedure I thought I had asked
- 6 to be put in place.
- 7 Q Okay. If you -- if you had received this document
- 8 that we're looking at, Liberty/Bureau Exhibit 1, would you
- 9 have forwarded the document on to anyone in the company?
- 10 A Generally I would forward it to engineering, to
- Behrooz or operations. Sometimes I would get documents sent
- to me as CEO at our corporate office. And if both of us or
- a couple of us or several of us were listed, I didn't
- 14 necessarily assume that a person at another office of ours
- would have gotten it. So I would routinely send it to them
- 16 1) because it would be more in their province, 2) it didn't
- 17 require any specific action from me, and thirdly, I didn't
- 18 keep a file of regulatory documents.
- 19 Q Well, let me ask you about another set of
- 20 documents that you may or may not have received. You were
- of course aware during the period really beginning in
- January of 1995 that Liberty's microwave license
- 23 applications at the FCC were being petitioned against by
- $\sim$  24 Time Warner. I mean, you've testified to that.
  - 25 A That's correct.